

Fitzwilliam, NH



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County
 Labor Market Area
 Tourism Region
 Planning Commission
 Regional Development

Cheshire
Keene NH Micro-NECTA
Monadnock
Southwest Region
Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

Election Districts
 US Congress
 Executive Council
 State Senate
 State Representative

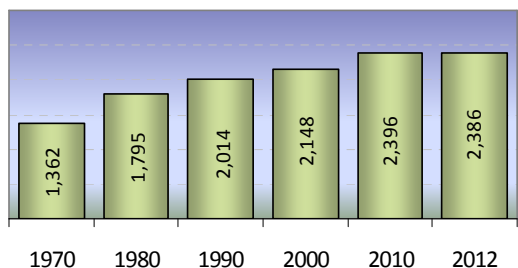
District 2
District 5
District 9
Cheshire County Districts 11, 14

Incorporated: 1773

Origin: Fitzwilliam was originally settled as Monadnock Number 4, one in a line of eight towns settled by Scottish colonists. Governor Wentworth named the town to honor his cousin William, fourth Earl of Fitzwilliam. Early grantees in Fitzwilliam included General James Reed and Matthew Thornton, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Fitzwilliam had one of the earliest granite quarrying operations in New Hampshire. It is the location of Rhododendron State Park, which has the largest rhododendron grove in New England and was designated a National Natural Landmark in 1982.

Villages and Place Names: unknown

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,038 residents in 1790



Population Trends: Population change for Fitzwilliam totaled 1,420 over 52 years, from 966 in 1960 to 2,386 in 2012. The largest decennial percent change was a 41 percent increase between 1960 and 1970, and a 32 percent increase the next decade. The 2012 Census estimate for Fitzwilliam was 2,386 residents, which ranked 123rd among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2010 (US Census Bureau): 69.2 persons per square mile of land area. Fitzwilliam contains 34.6 square miles of land area and 1.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES			
Type of Government	Selectmen		
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2013	\$2,230,375		
Budget: School Appropriations,	Not Available		
Zoning Ordinance	1982/10		
Master Plan	2011		
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes		
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board		

Boards and Commissions

Elected:	Selectmen; Planning; Library
Appointed:	Zoning; Conservation

Public Library **Fitzwilliam Town**

EMERGENCY SERVICES			
Police Department	Full-time		
Fire Department	Volunteer		
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer		
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds	
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	15 miles	140	

UTILITIES			
Electric Supplier	PSNH		
Natural Gas Supplier	None		
Water Supplier	Fitzwilliam Village Water; private wells		
Sanitation	Private septic		
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No		
Solid Waste Disposal	None		
Curbside Trash Pickup	None		
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No		
Recycling Program	Mandatory		
Telephone Company	Fairpoint		
Cellular Telephone Access	Limited		
Cable Television Access	Limited		
Public Access Television Station	No		
High Speed Internet Service:	Business	Limited	
	Residential	Limited	

PROPERTY TAXES		<i>(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)</i>	
2012 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$29.31		
2012 Equalization Ratio	100.0		
2012 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$29.50		
2012 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type			
Residential Land and Buildings	79.5%		
Commercial Land and Buildings	6.3%		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	14.2%		

HOUSING		<i>(ACS 2007-2011)</i>	
Total Housing Units	1,255		
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,021		
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:			
Two to Four Units in Structure	39		
Five or More Units in Structure	81		
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	11		

DEMOGRAPHICS		<i>(US Census Bureau)</i>	
Total Population	Community	County	
2012	2,386	76,851	
2010	2,396	77,117	
2000	2,148	73,993	
1990	2,014	70,223	
1980	1,795	62,116	
1970	1,362	52,364	

Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2007-2011

Population by Gender			
Male	1,261	Female	1,136

Population by Age Group			
Under age 5			68
Age 5 to 19			380
Age 20 to 34			328
Age 35 to 54			890
Age 55 to 64			353
Age 65 and over			378
Median Age			48.7 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over			
High school graduate or higher			92.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher			30.5%

INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$		<i>(ACS 2007-2011)</i>	
Per capita income			\$33,416
Median 4-person family income			\$82,756
Median household income			\$66,542
Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers			
Male			\$52,083
Female			\$35,957
Families below the poverty level			3.1%

LABOR FORCE		<i>(NHES – ELMI)</i>	
Annual Average	2002	2012	
Civilian labor force	1,358	1,419	
Employed	1,296	1,348	
Unemployed	62	71	
Unemployment rate	4.6%	5.0%	

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		<i>(NHES – ELMI)</i>	
Annual Average Covered Employment	2002	2012	
Goods Producing Industries			
Average Employment	191	47	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 841	\$ 894	
Service Providing Industries			
Average Employment	172	129	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 629	\$ 708	
Total Private Industry			
Average Employment	363	175	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 740	\$ 758	
Government (Federal, State, and Local)			
Average Employment	78	71	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 471	\$ 690	
Total, Private Industry plus Government			
Average Employment	441	246	
Average Weekly Wage	\$ 693	\$ 738	

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EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

Schools students attend: **Grades K-12 are part of Monadnock Regional Cooperative (Fitzwilliam, Gilsum, Richmond, District: SAU 93
Roxbury, Sullivan, Swanzey, Troy)**

Career Technology Center(s): **The Cheshire Career Center, Keene; Fall Mountain Regional High School - CTE, Langdon; Region: 13
Windham Regional Career Center, Brattleboro, VT**

Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools)	Elementary	Middle/Junior High	High School	Private/Parochial
Number of Schools	1			
Grade Levels	P K 1-6			
Total Enrollment	193			

Nearest Community College: **Nashua**

Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Franklin Pierce University; Keene State; Antioch New England**

2012 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **1** Total Capacity: **9**

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
PLP Composite Technologies	Fiberglass flag poles	20	1980
Damon Lumber	Lumber sales	6	
Holman Construction	Construction		

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

Road Access US Routes
State Routes **12, 119**

Nearest Interstate, Exit **I-91 (VT), Exit 2**
Distance **29 miles**

Railroad **No**
Public Transportation **No**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation
Jaffrey - Silver Ranch Runway **2,982 ft. asphalt**
Lighted? **Yes** Navigation Aids? **Yes**

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service
Manchester-Boston Regional Distance **47 miles**
Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport **4**

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH	51 miles
Portland, Maine	156 miles
Boston, Mass.	72 miles
New York City, NY	234 miles
Montreal, Quebec	270 miles

COMMUTING TO WORK (*ACS 2007-2011*)

Workers 16 years and over	
Drove alone, car/truck/van	77.6%
Carpooled, car/truck/van	11.2%
Public transportation	0.5%
Walked	3.2%
Other means	0.6%
Worked at home	6.8%
Mean Travel Time to Work	30.8 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2007-2011

Working in community of residence	68.5
Commuting to another NH community	12.4
Commuting out-of-state	19.1

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

Municipal Parks
YMCA/YWCA
Boys Club/Girls Club
Golf Courses
Swimming: Indoor Facility
Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
X Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
Bowling Facilities
Museums
Cinemas
Performing Arts Facilities
X Tourist Attractions
X Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
X Youth Sports: Baseball
X Youth Sports: Soccer
Youth Sports: Football
X Youth Sports: Basketball
Youth Sports: Hockey
X Campgrounds
X Fishing/Hunting
Boating/Marinas
X Snowmobile Trails
Bicycle Trails
X Cross Country Skiing
X Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area
Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Pat's Peak**

Other: **Rhododendron State Park**